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SUBJECT: CHINA ISSUE IN INTELSAT

KUALA LUMPUR FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY INGERSOLL

1. SUMMARY - EFFORT SPEARHEADED BY PAKISTAN IN FEBRUARY 4-8 INTELSAT ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES TO OUST REPUBLIC OF CHINA (ROC) FAILED. UNLESS EXTRAORDINARY MEETING CALLED, WHICH SEEMS UNLIKELY, NEXT APPROPRIATE OCCASION FOR CHALLENGE TO ROC WOULD BE AT 2ND ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES SCHEDULED TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 27, 1976. END SUMMARY

2. ON FIRST DAY OF MEETING, PAKISTAN SOUGHT TO INTRODUCE NEW AGENDA ITEM CALLING FOR "RESTORATION OF LEGITIMATE RIGHTS" OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN INTELSAT. FOLLOWING MORNING PAKISTAN, APPARENTLY ANTICIPATING OPPOSITION TO THIS WOING, MODIFIED PROPOSAL TO CALL SIMPLY FOR CONSIDERATION OF CHINESE REPRESENTATION ISSUE IN INTELSAT. CHAIRMAN, WHO WAS ALSO HEAD OF US DELEGATION, PROVISIONALLY RULED THAT AGENDA ITEM BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT VOTE UNLESS THERE WAS OBJECTION FROM MEMBERS. AT THAT POINT FIFTEEN DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING FRANCE, BELGIUM AND ITALY QUESTIONED WHETHER THIS WAS "URGENT MATTER." COLUMBIAN DELEGATE CALLED FOR VOTE, AND PAKISTAN, APPARENTLY SENSING DEFEAT, TEMPORARILY WITHDREW ITS PROPOSAL AND CONCENTRATED ON EFFORT TO MODIFY RULES OF PROCEDURE TO

REMOVE PROVISION REQUIRING SECRET BALLOT IF REQUESTED BY FIVE DELEGATIONS. THIS EFFORT ALSO FAILED AND PROVISIONAL RULES CONTINUED IN FORCE UNTIL MATTER RECONSIDERED AT NEXT ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES.

3. MEANWHILE PAKISTAN DELEGATION CIRCULATED ALBANIAN-TYPE CONFIDENTIAL

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RESOLUTION TO FRIENDLY DELEGATIONS CALLING FOR OUSTER OF ROC AND RECOGNITION OF PRC AS ONLY GOVERNMENT COMPETENT TO REPRESENT CHINA IN INTELSAT. ON FEBRUARY 7, PAKISTAN, JOINED BY OTHERS, ATTACKED REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE FOR SEATING ROC, PORTUGAL AND SOUTH AFRICA. SINCE NO DELEGATION FORMALLY CHALLENGED REPORT, CHAIRMAN SIMPLY NOTED STATEMENTS FOR THE RECORD. SEEKING TO AVOID PRECIPITATING FORMAL CHALLENGE, US DELEGATION

REMAINED SILENT. DESPITE EARLIER AGREEMENT THAT HE WOULD NOT SPEAK IN ABSENCE OF FORMAL CHALLENGE, ROC AMBASSADOR SHEN READ LENGTHY STATEMENT ARGUING THAT ROC WAS A STATE RECOGNIZED AS SUCH BY HOST GOVERNMENT (THE US) AND THAT IF ROC'S LOSS OF LARGE PART OF TERRITORY OF CHINA WAS GROUNDS FOR OUSTER, PAKISTAN'S RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION COULD ALSO BE CHALLENGED.

4. ON FINAL DAY OF CONFERENCE WITH TIME RUNNING OUT, PAKISTAN SOUGHT COMPROMISE SOLUTION. INITIAL PROPOSAL CONVEYED TO US BY JORDANIAN DELEGATE, WHO WAS ALSO VICE CHAIRMAN OF ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES, WAS THAT PAKISTAN WOULD AGREE TO ALLOW REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE TO BE ACCEPTED ON CONDITION THAT ASSEMBLY ALLOW CHINESE REPRESENTATION ISSUE TO BE ADDED TO AGENDA WITHOUT DEBATE. IN CONSULTATION WITH ROC DELEGATION, US DELEGATION REJECTED THIS COMPROMISE SINCE WE BELIEVED THERE WAS GOOD CHANCE CHALLENGE TO CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT COULD BE DEFEATED. PAKISTAN THEN AGREED THAT IF CHAIRMAN WOULD ALLOW DELEGATES TO EXPRESS RESERVATIONS FOR RECORD TO REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, PAKISTAN WOULD NOT OBJECT TO ACCEPTANCE OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT AND WOULD ALLOW REPRESENTATION ISSUE TO DROP. WE AGREED.

5. WHEN ASSEMBLY RECONVENED IN AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 8, PAKISTAN INTRODUCED THIS COMPROMISE AS FORMAL PROPOSAL. US DELEGATION MADE LOW KEY STATEMENT DEFENDING SEATING OF ROC DELEGATION ON GROUNDS EQUITY. CHAIRMAN THEN CALLED ON DELEGATIONS WHICH WISHED TO EXPRESS RESERVATIONS TO RAISE THEIR NAME PLATES. EIGHTEEN COUNTRIES (OF SOME 60 COUNTRIES THEN ON FLOOR) DID SO. OTHERS WHO OPPOSED ROC REFUSED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEDURE BUT DID NOT SPECIFICALLY CALL FOR VOTE ON ROC CREDENTIALS. CHAIRMAN
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